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SYDNEY OPERA AT THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sydney McLaughlin obliterated her own world record in 400m hurdles on Friday

ALL EYES ON NEERAJ TODAY, ANNU FINISHES SEVENTH

Tokyo 2020 Olympic champ Neeraj Chopra and Rohit Yadav will participate in the javelin throw final at 7.05am (Sunday India time). Triple jumper Eldhose Paul too will be action at 6am

In women's javelin, Annu Rani finished seventh with a throw of 61.12m, way below her personal best of 63.82m

MCLAUGHLIN ALL THE WAY TO RECORD

- The American clocked an astonishing 50.68s for gold at Hayward Field in Eugene. This was her fourth world record in 13 months. The Tokyo gold-medallist could well feature in the final of the women's 4x400m relay final
- Femke Bol took silver while Dalilah Muhammad finished third | P13

51.41 sec

PREVIOUS WORLD RECORD. MCLAUGHLIN HAD SET THIS ONLY LAST MONTH

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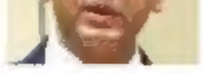
Media running kangaroo courts: CJI

Says ill-informed, agenda-driven TV debates weaken democracy; Bats for security for judges

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

TAKING a grim view of agenda-driven TV debates, Chief Justice of India **N V Ramana** said on Saturday that such high-decibel media trials on sub-judice matters impinge on the fair functioning and independence of the judiciary.

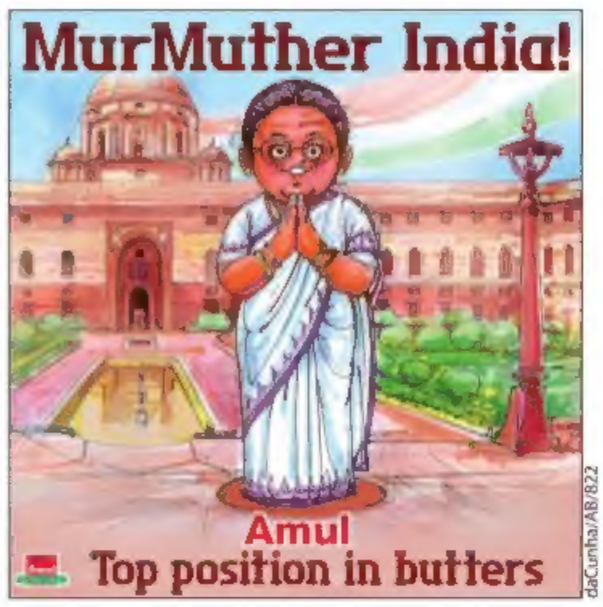
"Media trials cannot be a guiding factor in deciding cases. Of late, we see the media running kangaroo courts at times on issues even experienced judges find difficult to decide. Ill-informed and agenda-driven debates on issues involving justice delivery are proving to be detrimental to the health of democracy," he said while delivering the inaugural lecture instituted in the memory of Justice Satya Brata Sinha in Ranchi.



The CJI was, however, quick to point out that print media still observe has a certain degree of accountability while electronic media has none as what it shows vanishes into thin air. "Biased views being propagated by media are affecting people, weakening democracy, and harming the system. In this process, justice delivery gets adversely affected. By overstepping and breaching your responsibility, you are taking our democracy two steps backward," he added.

Commenting on the recent trend of targeting judges through social media campaigns, Ramana said judges may not react immediately but it should not be mistaken for weakness or helplessness. "Looking at recent trends, it is best for the media to self-regulate and measure their words. You should not overstep and invite interference, either from the government or from the courts... When liberties are exercised responsibly, within their domains, there will be no necessity of placing reasonable or proportionate external restrictions," he said.

The CJI said media should use its influence responsibly. "Please use the power of your voice to educate the people and energise the nation," he said.



WHO CALLS MONEKYPOX A GLOBAL EMERGENCY

Expanding monkeypox outbreak in more than 70 countries is an "extraordinary situation" that now qualifies as a global health emergency the world health body said. So far, more than 16,000 cases of monkeypox have been reported worldwide since May | P8

Bengal minister in ED net

PRONAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

IN a big jolt to the Mamata Banerjee-led Trinamool Congress government in West Bengal, the Enforcement Directorate on Saturday arrested party heavyweight and the state's industry and commerce minister **Partha Chatterjee** in connection with the alleged teacher recruitment scam. Chatterjee--considered the No 3 in TMC after party supremo Mamata and her nephew Abhishek Banerjee--was arrested after a 16-hour marathon interrogation at his south Kolkata residence. The alleged irregularities in recruitment of teachers through the School Service Commission (SSC) took place when Chatterjee was the state education minister during 2014-21.

According to sources, the ED decided to arrest Chatterjee after ₹21.2 crore cash was recovered from the TMC leader's close aide Arpita Mukherjee on Friday. The federal agency suspects the amount could be proceeds from the SSC scam.

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MLAs, top brass will decide on CM: Siddu

Bengaluru: As the debate over Congress' CM candidate continues within the party, former CM Siddaramaiah, in an interview with *TNSE*, said MLAs and party high command will decide on the CM | P4

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Seat for Vijayendra: BSY, CM in damage control

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A day after veteran BJP leader B S Yediyurappa said he will quit electoral politics and pave the way for his son B Y Vijayendra to contest from his constituency Shikaripura, the former chief minister got into a damage control mode on Saturday, saying the party's central leaders will decide on the candidates. Both Yediyurappa and Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai issued statements to clarify "confusion" following instructions from the party high command.

Days ahead of Bommai's completion of one year in office as CM, he met Yediyurappa and announced that the latter will be unveiling the party's strategy for the 2023 assembly polls at a rally slated to be held in Doddaballapur on July 28. "Yediyurappa's statement was misinterpreted that he will be retiring from active politics," the CM said. CONTINUED ON: P4

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